

HOUSE COMMEMORATION NO. 1040

Introduced by: Representatives Tidemann, Blake, Bolin, Boomgarden, Brunner, Burg, Carson, Cronin, Curd, Cutler, Deadrick, Dennert, Dreyer, Elliott, Engels, Faehn, Fargen, Feickert, Feinstein, Frerichs, Gibson, Gosch, Greenfield, Hamiel, Hoffman, Hunhoff (Bernie), Hunt, Iron Cloud III, Jensen, Juhnke, Killer, Kirkeby, Kirschman, Kopp, Krebs, Lange, Lederman, Lucas, Lust, McLaughlin, Moser, Noem, Novstrup (David), Nygaard, Olson (Betty), Olson (Ryan), Peters, Pitts, Putnam, Rausch, Rave, Romkema, Rounds, Schlekeway, Schrempp, Sly, Solberg, Solum, Sorenson, Steele, Street, Thompson, Turbiville, Van Gerpen, Vanderlinde, Vanneman, Verchio, Wink, and Wismer and Senators Merchant, Abdallah, Adelstein, Ahlers, Bartling, Bradford, Brown, Dempster, Fryslie, Gant, Garnos, Gillespie, Gray, Hansen (Tom), Hanson (Gary), Haverly, Heidepriem, Howie, Hundstad, Hunhoff (Jean), Jerstad, Kloucek, Knudson, Maher, Miles, Nelson, Nesselhuf, Novstrup (Al), Olson (Russell), Peterson, Rhoden, Schmidt, Tieszen, Turbak Berry, and Vehle

A LEGISLATIVE COMMEMORATION, Recognizing the South Dakota State University Women's Basketball Team on its outstanding athletic and academic achievements.

WHEREAS, the Jackrabbits are now ranked number seventeen in the Associated Press poll; and

WHEREAS, on Monday, March 9, 2009, the South Dakota State University Women's Basketball Team took a fierce victory over the Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis Jaguars 68-53, placing the Jacks in the Summit League Championship; and

WHEREAS, Monday night's win marked the team's one hundredth victory against a Division I opponent since its inception to Division I in the 2004-2005 season, improving its record to 35-3 in the Summit League regular season and postseason games; and

WHEREAS, the South Dakota State University Women's Basketball Team has made history by



clinching the conference title by winning the Summit League Championship game Tuesday afternoon over Oakland, with a score of 79-69. The victory means the Jacks will play in the NCAA Women's Basketball Division I tournament for the first time ever; and

WHEREAS, the women athletes, who are also students, have had the highest team GPAs in the nation for the past two years in Division I athletics:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT COMMEMORATED, by the Eighty-fourth Legislature of the State of South Dakota, that the South Dakota State University Women's Basketball Team is recognized for its outstanding athletic and academic achievements.